

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 through 8 are pending in this application. Claims 3, 4, 6, 7, and 8 are being amended to remove multiple dependencies.

Claims 1, 4, and 5 have been amended to clarify and point out that the electrodes of a device under test and the base plate (including the conductive portions formed therein) are workpieces, that the definite article "the" is used only with these workpieces, and to clarify the functional cooperation with these workpieces.

Changes to the specification have been made to claim priority, to correct typos, and to conform to national practice.

No additional fee is believed due in connection with this preliminary amendment. If, however, any fee is owed the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 19-2090.

Respectfully submitted,  
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